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Officer Donald Loncto is shown issuing citations to riders of unregistered dirt bikes in Robinson State Park.

Photo by Jack Devine

Town Council Sets...

In a surprise action the Town Council voted not to pay fully for health insurance and retirement costs of Peter Caputo, Town Manager. Mr. Caputo had indicated that he was promised full payment by the council when interviewed for the position of Town Manager. After listening to the tapes from the prior meetings, Mrs. Edward Caba, town clerk, indicated that "nowhere as there any mention of the town paying 100% of the cost".

Councilor Paul Fieldstat, who had placed the 100% payment on the agenda, hesitantly introduced the motion which was quickly amended to the customary 50% for health insurance and 7% for the retirement plan. The council claimed that the Town Manager was hired under standard arrangements for all town employees.

With Councilors Fred Nardi and Paul Paleologopolus being the only ones to voice a negative vote, the council passed the amended motion 13-2.

Stalls...

After two very long and boisterous citizen speak times, the Town Council has again stalled the ban on dirt bikes in Robinson State Park. By directing the ordinance committee, consisting of councilors Fieldstat, Barnes and Paleologopolus, to look into the proper wording of the resolution to be sent to the state, the council has delayed action on the problem. Several residents spoke in favor of the ban because of environmental problems that are being created in and around the 800 acre park. Others complained about the destruction to their properties by dirt bike riders, 4-wheel-drive jeeps and automobiles. The abutting residents will now have to wait until the September meeting before finding out whether they will have to put up further with the noise, dust and destruction to their property.

Safety officer Stanley Chmiewlewski pointed out to the council that dirt bike riders could only ride on private property with the approval of the owner. Unregistered dirt bikes are not allowed on public highways.

Also participating in the speak time were local motorcyclists and dirt bike riders who voiced strong opposition to the ban indicating that a "few rowdy men" are ruining the pleasure and fun of the majority.

Councilor Fred Serra, who had viewed the destruction in the park firsthand, indicated that he had a "strong motion" to make, but instead made a motion to send the problem to the ordinance committee for review. The ordinance committee was directed by the council to have an update ready for the first council meeting in September.

and Tables...

Because of strong opposition to the motion from Councilor Kenneth Barnes, the town council has tabled a motion to support the six-community regional consortium to control Bondi's Island sewage treatment plant. Councilor Barnes' reluctance to get involved in what he termed a Springfield problem was not shared by Council President Richard Theroux, who indicated that the plant is located in Agawam and "Agawam is involved".

The consortium would be concerned with improving the over-all efficiency and safety of the $55 million plant. It would improve communication between Agawam and Springfield, according to Theroux. Communications have been strained recently when a 12-ton supply of potentially-lethal chlorine was delivered to the plant without prior notification to Agawam town officials.

Theroux plans to resubmit the proposal to indorse the regional control of the sewerage plant at the next council meeting, which is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th.

Draghetti Lists Rules for Fruit and Vegetable Stands

Louis O. Draghetti, Inspector of Weights and Measures for Agawam said recently that he would like to bring to the attention of farmers and gardeners of the method in which fruits and vegetables are to be sold.

He noted that fruits and vegetables are to be sold by weight, measure or count, unless sold in an "original standard container." Original standard container means boxes, baskets, and containers, the capacity which is established by Massachusetts law or act of Congress.

Vegetables which by custom or trade are sold by the bunch, such as fresh beets, carrots, rhubarb, radishes and smaller vegetables, are exempt from the weight, measure or count provisions, Draghetti said.

Scales used in the sale of fresh produce must be of an approved type and certified as accurate by the Inspector of Weights & Measures. Household scales, baby scales, and bath scales are not legal weighing devices to be used in the sale of any type of produce.

Draghetti commented that many gardeners package beans and small produce in trays and cellophane. "When they do this," he said, "such packages must bear a plain and conspicuous statement of contents by weight, measure, or pound." Gardeners are cautioned regarding their responsibility under the general laws regarding the sale of produce and products over unsealed and unaccurate scales.

Natalie George Resigns Planning Board

It has been disclosed by a source close to the situation that Natalie George, Chairperson of the Planning Board, is resigning her position on the Board.

An item on the Planning Board's agenda for this Thursday's meeting is the nomination of a new chairperson.

It was learned that Mrs. George, an often controversial figure because of her endorsement of zoning changes which were opposed by some town businessmen. is moving out of Agawam with her family.

Senator Brooke Announces HUD Awards

Senator Edward Brooke today announced that the Town of Agawam will be invited to submit a final application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (one-year single purpose project).

This "invitation" is tantamount to receiving the funds.

The $491,500 award, when finalized, will be used for water system improvements.

"I was extremely pleased that Agawam has been selected for final review and approval," said Brooke, "Competition was extremely keen and HUD had to make some hard decisions. Only 12 out of some 129 communities in Massachusetts who applied were selected for this final round."

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Still Time to Register for the Primary

Deputy State Secretary Marcia Molay, in charge of Massachusetts Elections, today released the following information for voters relative to the September 19 primary:

—The deadline for registering to vote in the state primary is Tuesday, August 22 at 10 p.m. Registration for the November 7 general election will continue until October 10.

—Special registration sessions will be held in all city and town halls Saturday, August 19 from noon to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, August 22 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

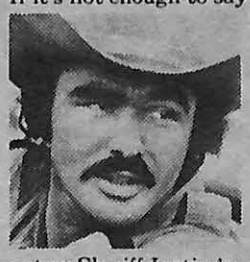
How To Cool Off On a Hot Day



Kyle Nardi knows....The ice cream is almost as big as he is. Kyle is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Nardi, North Street.

Photo by Jack Devine

starviews



If it's not enough to say that *Smokey and the Bandit* was the second-largest grossing film for 1977 — then maybe the fact that **Burt Reynolds** stars in it is enough. Reynolds plays his smiling, cavorting self — out having a good time. He makes an $80,000 bet to illegally run beer across state lines. Reynolds makes the mistake of crossing Sheriff Buford T. Justice (**Jackie Gleason**) by helping the sheriff's would-be daughter-in-law (**Sally Field**) leave her husband-to-be standing at the altar. There ain't nobody gonna run out on Sheriff Justice's son and get away with it! That's the plot for this exciting, funny, good-time picture.

Right now you can catch Reynolds in the just-released high-speed adventure called *Hooper*, and in the comedy *The End* — both with actress-girlfriend Sally Field. Reynolds will also be pairing up once again with his *Semi-Tough* co-star **Jill Clayburgh** in the comedy *Starting Over*, which hasn't started filming yet.

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Anything can happen on a train ride from Los Angeles to Chicago, and everything does — from mystery and intrigue to romance and comedy — in *Silver Streak* also on HBO. Colin *(Foul Play)* Higgins scripted *Silver Streak* which stars **Gene Wilder** (as a bookish editor), **Jill Clayburgh** (as a sexy mystery lady) and **Richard Pryor** (as a hilariously funny petty thief). Corpses perform appearing and disappearing acts and Wilder suffers many an unscheduled stop before the film comes to a literally smashing halt.



Clayburgh went on from *Silver Streak* to *Semi-Tough* and *An Unmarried Woman*. Following nearly a year's layoff from acting (for lack of a good script), Clayburgh will be starring in Bernardo Bertolucci's *The Moon* as an opera singer and in David Rabe's screen adaptation of his play "In the Boom Boom Room." Rabe and Clayburgh are steadies.

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American Graffiti (on HBO in September) is a showcase of America's fastest-rising stars. Before **Richard Dreyfuss** won Best Actor Oscar *(Goodbye Girl)*; before **Ron Howard** starred in "Happy Days"; before **Cindy Williams** starred in "Laverne & Shirley"; before **Suzanne Somers** starred in "Three's Company"; before **Mackenzie Phillips** starred in "One Day At A Time"; before **Candy Clark** starred in *The Man Who Fell to Earth;* and before writer-director **George Lucas** created the seven-Oscar-winner *Star Wars* — the most successful film of all time — they were all in *American Graffiti*. See it just to see them as they were before success rapped on their doors, or see it because it's a hilarious romp back to 1962.

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Sporting shorter hair and trimmer beard it's "*George Carlin, Again!*" on Home Box Office. This second Carlin "On Location" was taped at the Celebrity Theater in Phoenix, Arizona. Carlin's first HBO special won a 1977 NCTA Award for "excellence in pay cable programming." He is among the top 10 comedians most in demand for college, nightclub, television and concert dates. Carlin is currently gearing up for his first starring role — *The Illustrated George Carlin*.

Home Box Office Listings

Tuesday August 15

5:30 NASTY HABITS (PG-1:36)
7:30 Baseball: RACE FOR THE PENNANT
8:00 THE AMERICAN CUP GYMNASTICS EXHIBITION
9:00 Standing Room Only: GLADYS KNIGHT AND THE PIPS WITH RAY CHARLES
10:30 MACARTHUR (PG-2:08)

Wednesday August 16

6:00 ROLLERCOASTER (PG-1:59)
8:00 Standing Room Only: ROCK 'N' ROLL REUNION
9:30 Baseball: RACE FOR THE PENNANT
10:00 LET IT BE (G-1:28)
11:30 WHAT'S UP, DOC? (1:34)

Thursday August 17

6:00 OUTLAW BLUES (PG-1:41)
8:00 BOBBY DEERFIELD (PG-2:04)
10:30 THE AMERICAN CUP GYMNASTICS EXHIBITION
11:30 THE GREAT TEXAS DYNAMITE CHASE (R-1:29)

Friday August 18

6:00 Baseball: RACE FOR THE PENNANT
6:30 BREAKING POINT (PG-1:32)
8:00 Feature Showing: On Location: CHEVY CHASE AND FRIENDS
9:30 WORLD TEAM TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFFS– I
11:00 I ESCAPED FROM DEVIL'S ISLAND (R-1:27)
12:30 MANDINGO (R-2:07)

Saturday August 19

2:30 SKY RIDERS (PG-1:37)
4:30 MACARTHUR (PG-2:08)
7:00 ROLLERCOASTER (PG-1:59)
9:00 Feature Showing: THE HARRAD EXPERIMENT (R-1:35)
11:00 Feature Showing: HARRAD SUMMER (PG-1:33)
12:45 SKY RIDERS (PG-1:37)

Sunday August 20

2:00 CANNONBALL (PG-1:33)
3:30 THE LAST REMAKE OF BEAU GESTE (PG-1:23)
5:00 PATTON (PG-2:50)
8:00 Feature Showing: YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE (PG-1:30)
9:30 OUTLAW BLUES (PG-1:41)
11:30 THE LAST REMAKE OF BEAU GESTE (PG-1:23)
1:00 YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE (PG-1:30)

Monday August 21

5:30 BOBBY DEERFIELD (PG-2:04)
8:00 On Location: CHEVY CHASE AND FRIENDS
9:30 LUCKY LADY (PG-1:57)
11:30 BOBBY DEERFIELD (PG-2:04)



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barstow and their daughter Alice from Massachusetts' First Congregational District meet with their Congressman U. S. Rep. Silvio O. Conte, R-Mass., in the Congressman's Washington Office. The Barstow family resides at 94 Reed Street, Agawam, Massachusetts.

Agawam Senior Center

Wright Street, Agawam, Mass.

Menu:

8/14: Ham and noodle casserole, spinach, peaches
8/15: Beef stew, mashed potatoes, lettuce, fresh fruit
8/16: Fish with tomatoes and onion on potatoes (portugese dinner), lemon cream tarts
8/17: Italian sweet sausage, french fries, sauerkraut, pudding
8/18: Fish in mushroom sauce, rice carrots, cherry crisp
8/21: Pepper steak, shredded potatoes, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit
8/22: Lasagne, coleslaw, cake
8/23: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, bavarian cream
8/24: Cheese macaroni, grilled wieners, stewed tomatoes jello
8/25: Clam chowder, egg salad sandwiches, pecan pie

Our September trip will be going to Mystic Seaport, Tuesday, the 12th. We will have a delicious lunch-your choice-at Sailor Ed's restaurant, then you can spend all afternoon sightseeing and shopping. Price: $12.-

The Golden Agers

The Agawam Golden Age Club held its last meeting Aug. 9 at the Senior Center. A white elephant sale was held. Refreshments were enjoyed by all. Our next meeting will be August 23. A gift bingo will be held.

"Herb Gardening"

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, in Hampden is holding a special afternoon workshop on **Herb Gardening**, Saturday, August 26, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The two-hour program, taught by Nancy Bennett, a local herbalist, will contain information on setting up and maintaining a back-yard herb garden. Identifying herbs as medicines, dyes, or foodstuffs and how to grow them, will be outlined.

The numberous uses of herbs as teas, vinegars, insect repellants, or in scented jars is also on the agenda. Finally, how to prepare the herb garden for winter will give participants a head start for next year's harvest.

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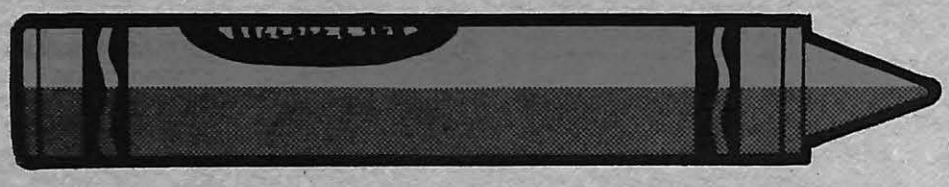
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Town Clerk Edward Caba (L) town manager Peter Caputo (center), and State Rep. Edward Connelly were all presented with plaques proclaiming them honorary members of the Polish American Club, Feeding Hills. The presentation was made at the Polish Festival held recently at the club.

Photo by Jack Devine

Junior Women Awarded National Prize

The Agawam Junior Women's Club recently took second place in the National Safety Contest sponsored by the Highway Users Federation on Safety & Mobility, a federal agency dedicated to the promotion of safety education in the U.S. For their high placement in the contest, the Junior Women were awarded $250, which they have planned to reinvest in future safety projects for the town of Agawam. Concurrently, they placed first in the statewide safety contest sponsored by the H.U.F. through the General Federation of Women's Clubs, for which they received a cash award of $100. These recent honors bring the Junior Women's total to five awards in Safety since the program's inception in 1973.

Accepting the award today for the Agawam Junior Women was Mrs. Penny Stone, who, as Public Affairs Co-Chairman in 1973, began the award-winning program and has continued to work for the promotion and development of "Safety Bug" education in Agawam.

Working under the technical advisement of Police Sgt. Stanley Chmielewski, the clubwomen recognized a need for a creative safety program which would help the preschool to third grade age child "get the Safety Habit".

Mrs. Stone commented, "We saw an opportunity to provide eager young minds with the stimulus to develop good safety habits which might someday save a life."

What started, six years ago, as a simple monologue skit presented to a group of school children at a Christmas party has developed into a multi-faceted safety program involving hundreds of children of many ages.



Agawam Juniors win Second Place in National Safety Contest. Mrs. Penny Stone accepts $250 check from Mrs. Jean Webster as the Juniors' Safety Bug (Diana Willard and Saftey officer Sgt. Stanley Chmielewski look on.

Photo by Jack Devine

The "Safety Bug", itself, is the official symbol of the Highway Users Federation. As such, it has been reproduced thousands of times on safety certificates, membership badges and educational hand-out sheets, many of which were obtained by the Club for use in their safety program. Additionally, the Agawam Junior Women designed and composed their own life-size Safety Bug costume through a long series of workshops, the authenticity and professional quality of which was substantial enough to receive commendation by the Highway Users Federation in 1977.

Since 1973, the "Safety Bug" has made guest appearances at area day camps, nursery and grammar schools, girl scout troops, local penny carnivals and fairs and, annually, at the school bus tours. These bus orientation tours were developed by the Juniors in cooperation with Safety Officer Stanley Chmielewski to give young children the "look and feel" of the bus and acquaint them with safety rules.

For their varied and extensive efforts in Safety education the Agawam Junior Women's Club has twice received the "Best Overall Safety Program" award from the Liberty Mutual Life Insurance Co. in 1976 and 1977. With this award money, the Juniors purchased smoke detectors for the historic Capt. Charles Leonard House on Main St. in Agawam and Walt Disney Safety Films for use in the public school system.

Most recently, the club was also cited by their own State Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership for "Overall Excellence" in Community Improvement Programs.

Asked to comment on the Junior Women's continued success with substantially-limited funding. Mrs. Penny Stone remarked, "We have caused our membership to be concerned personally with safety and we have met the challenge of initiating and developing a comprehensive and effective safety program for the young people of our community."

Edward King to be in Southwick

Southwick, MA.—Edward F. King, republican candidate for governor will be at Sodom Mountain, Loomis St., Southwick, on August 20, 1978 from 1 to 3 p.m. He will be there to meet people, answer questions, and raise money for his campaign.

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Ernie Lombardi (right), owner of the Green Gables, and Darlene Ross greet Gov. Michael Dukakis at a recent fundraising reception held for the governor at the restaruant. Photo by Jack Devine

Kings "Back To School" Fashion Show

King's Department Store will be sponsoring a fashion show at 2:00 p.m. on August 27th at the American Legion Hall in Agawam. There will be a $2.50 donation for each person attending with all the proceeds going to the Western Mass Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Models will be showing fall fashions for young people from elementary school through the college level.

Tickets may be purchased at the service desk of King's Department Store, Suffield & Silver Streets, Agawam, MA.

Chicken Bar-B-Que At Y

The Agawam Lions Club, famous for their Eastern States Chicken Bar-B-Que, will prepare and serve their famous meal to the public on August 27th, 1978, from 2-6 PM at the Y.M.C.A. Family Center in Agawam, at the end of Mill Street on the corner of Perry Lane.

Tickets are $3.50 for Adults and $2.00 for Children under 12. They may be purchased at the Sto at the Family Center o rom Family Center members. For all non-Family Center members who purchase tickets, swimming and tennis will also be available that day.

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Dukakis Announces Cherry Sheet Figures

Governor Michael Dukakis this week announced "cherry sheet" figures for state aid to cities and towns, and told local officials that "as much increased state aid as possible must be passed on to property taxpayers in the form of lower rates." He added that the state will "closely scrutinize" proposed city and town property tax rates before approving them. (See over)

State aid to localities rose by $331.9 million this year, as Massachusetts undertook a comprehensive reform of aid to education and transferred the cost of the county court system from the cities and towns to the state. The "Cherry Sheets," which detail for each community the total of receipts from the state, show an increase of $177.2 million for fiscal 1979. In addition, communities will receive $80 million for court costs, $51.9 million for regional school aid, and $22.8 million for locally related programs in the General Fund.

"It is the clear intention of the budget language that these increases should be used to give property tax relief," the Governor said. "While not every community can promise a tax cut, many of our cities with the highest property tax rates are receiving substantial increases."

Section 59 of the fiscal 1979 budget states that "in order to provide immediate relief for the taxpayers of the cities and towns," increases in school aid and court costs "shall be available only to reduce the tax levy."

Governor Dukakis pointed out that high property taxes have been a problem in Massachusetts for decades. "We recognized this fact long before anyone had ever heard of Proposition 13, and we set out to do something about it," he continued. "Now thanks to an improved economy and tight financial controls, we can send a substantial surplus back to our cities and towns. This opportunity for property tax relief must not be thrown away."

State aid to Massachusetts cities and towns will total an estimated $1.43 billion in fiscal 1979, or approximately 29 percent of the state's $4.99 billion budget.

The town of Agawam, it is estimated, will receive $3,081,774 for 1979, an increase of $1,058,525 over 1978 receipts.

MID SUMMER SALE

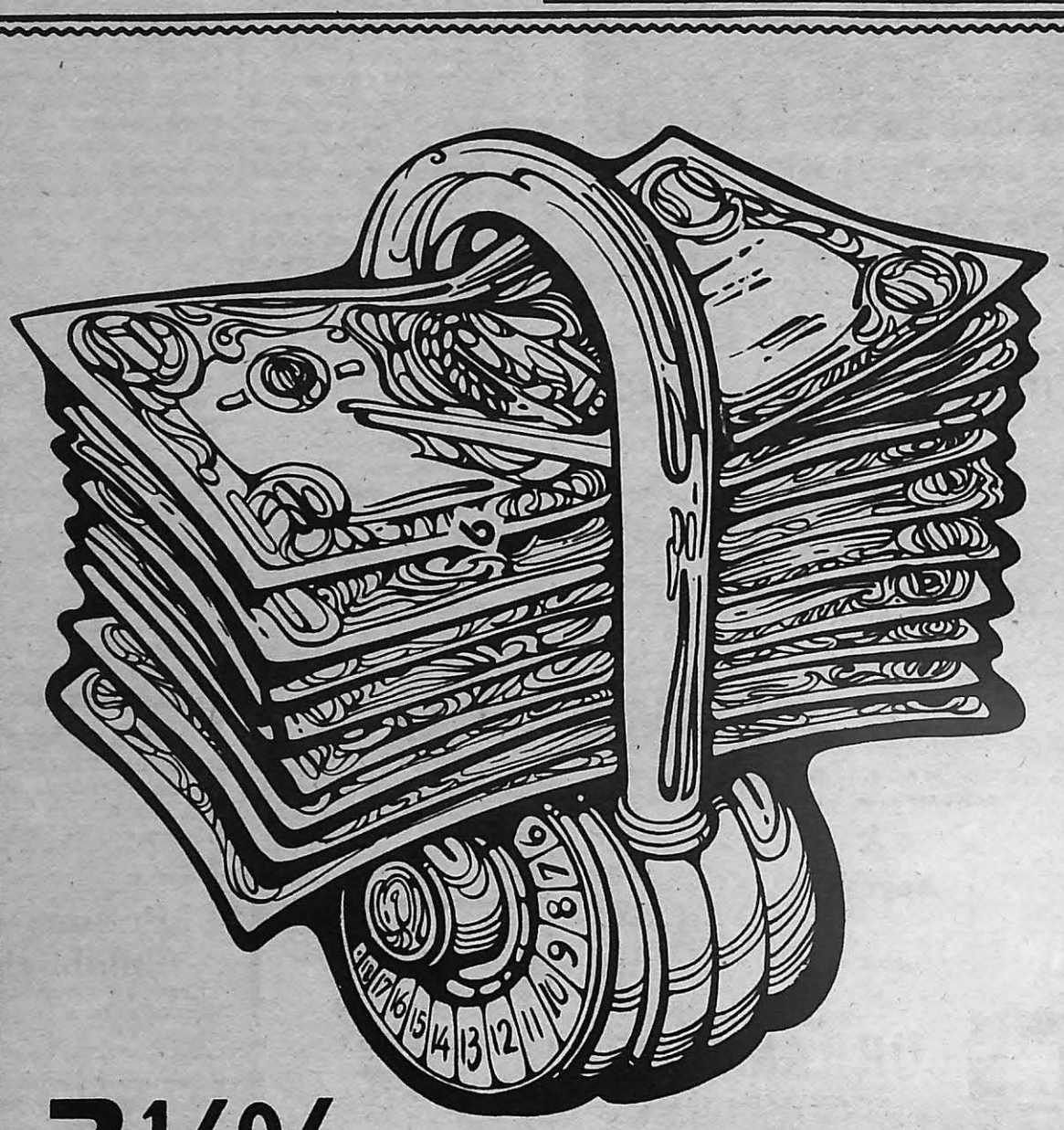


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Economidy - Touchette Wedding



Mrs. Barry Economidy

Miss Deborah Ann Marie Touchette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Touchette Sr. of 32 Columbus Street, Agawam, became the bride of Mr. Barry Thomas Economidy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Economidy of 43 DePalma Street, Feeding Hills, on Saturday, August 12.

The ceremony was performed at the St. Joseph Church, Springfield, with Father LeFlear officiating.

Mrs. Linda Latour, sister of the bride, acted as matron of honor. Mr. Randy Economidy, brother of the groom, served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and is employed at Touchette's Delicatessen and Catering of Springfield.

The groom is a graduate of Agawam High School and Springfield Technical Community College. He is employed by the Springfield Newspapers.

The couple left on a honeymoon to Cape Cod and will reside in West Springfield upon their return.

Pisano Receives Service Award

Agent Joseph L. Pisano from the West Springfield District of The Prudential Insurance Company of America, was named the District's Distinguished Professional Service Award winner for 1977.

This annual award is earned by the agent in each Prudential District "who best exemplifies consistent professionalism and excellence." Considered in the Award are outstanding sales and service performance.

Mr. Richard Tremblay, Director of Agencies of the Northern New England Region said "this was a significant honor and in earning it, Mr. Pisano has proven himself to be an individual of outstanding abilities. By adhering to the highest ideals of performance and service to his clients, he has set an example for all around professional accomplishment."

According to Mr. Alfred Seifert, Manager of the West Springfield District, the Distinguished Professional Service Award designation is representative of the respect Joe has earned from his colleagues in the Northeastern Home Office, and he can be proud indeed of attaining it.

Veto - Bonavita Nuptials



Mrs. Carlo P. Bonavita

Miss Rosanne Veto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter W. Veto of 289 Belmont Ave., Springfield, became the bride of Mr. Carlo P. Bonavita of 683 Cooper St., Agawam, on Friday, Aug. 12.

The ceremony was performed at Mount Carmel Church, Springfield, with Father Santini officiating.

Acting as maid of honor was Christina Veto, and Anthony C. Bonavita served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Cathedral High School and S.T.C.C. She is employed as a travel agent at Travel Consultants, Agawam.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlo F. Bonavita, graduated from Cranwell Prep and Boston College. He is employed at Connecticut General Insurance Co.

After a honeymoon cruise, the couple will reside in Agawam.

Monte Carlo Night

The West Springfield Jaycees will present a Monte Carlo Night on Friday, August 25, 1978, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Colloseum Banquet House on Memorial Avenue in West Springfield. According to Roberta Page, W.S. Jaycees External Vice-President and Chairperson for the event, proceeds will be presented to the Muscular Dystrophy Association during the Jerry Lewis Telethon on Labor Day.

A variety of casino games will be featured at the Monte Carlo Night in addition to numerous door prizes which will be drawn throughout the course of the evening. Robert Crowley, Solicitations Chairman, expressed his thanks to members of the West Springfield business community who have been extremely generous in contributing gifts to be used as prizes.

The muscular Dystrophy benefit will close games at 10:30 p.m. to begin the final raffle of prizes, one of which will be the grand Prize of the evening. While tickets will be available at the door, anyone wishing to purchase advance tickets may do so by contacting Roberta Page at 732-5472 or Rob Stoddard, W.S. Jaycees President, at 568-3069. Cost of each ticket is $2.50 and entitles the bearer to "play money" which will be used at the games.

Prepared Childbirth

Registrations are now being taken for a "Prepared Childbirth" course to be conducted by the Childbirth Education Association of Greater Springfield, Inc.

Those persons attending will hear talks by professional instructors and view films and slides. A hospital tour will also be part of the program. Day or evening classes are available. Please register as soon as pregnancy is confirmed.

For further information, call 533-1004

5th Annual Bus Tour

The Agawam Junior Women's Club announces its fifth annual school bus safety tour, to be held this year on Thursday and Friday, August 24th & 25th. Sgt. Stanley Chmielewski, will be on hand to answer questions and participate in the orientation program designed for kindergarten students and new bus riders. The program will be held at the Agawam Food Mart parking lot on Thursday, Aug. 24th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon and from 1:00 to 3:00 and at McDonald's on Suffield St. on Friday, August 25th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon and from 1:00 to 3:00. The Agawam Junior's very own "Safety Bug" will be the guest of the day and hopes to offer the children a better understanding of safety rules needed to ride a school bus.

Jr. Women's Membership Drive

Calling all young women (18-35)! Would you like to do something good for yourself today? Pick up your phone and call Mrs. Paula Huber (786-3949) or Mrs. Diana Willard (786-9128) and tell her you'd like to join the Agawam Junior Women's Club. There are numerous opportunities to expand your personal horizons, make new friends, and enjoy the fullness of life by helping others. The Junior Women will focus on two special projects this year; Abused Persons and Childhood Immunization. In addition, there are projects in Conservation, Education, Education, The Arts, International Affairs, Home Life, Public Affairs and Safety. There must be something here for you! Come and join in today.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 20
MDA Benefit Softball Game
Fire Dept. vs. King's Employees
Sacred Heart Field 6 p.m.

August 21 & 22
Agawam Hockey Association Sign-Ups
Sacred Heart Church Springfield St., Feeding Hills
6 p.m.-8 p.m.

& August 26
2 p.m.-5 p.m.

August 24
Jr. Women's School Bus Tour Food Mart Parking Lot
10 a.m.-12 noon 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

&

August 25
at
McDonalds
10 a.m.-12noon 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

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Deborah Ann Carloeo Weds Louis Conte



Mrs. Louis Conte

On August 12, 1978, Deborah Ann Caroleo and Louis Edward Conte were married in St. John the Evangelist Church, Agawam Ma. Attending the couple were Martha Moriarty and John J. Conte.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robert Caroleo of 1214 Suffield St., Agawam Ma. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Therapeutic Recreation from the University of Massachusetts. She is a teacher at the Communities for People School, in Springfield Ma.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Conte of 453 Springfiel St., Agawam Ma. Also a graduate of Agawam High School, he received a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education from Ithaca College. Louis teaches Physical Education and health at the Agawam Middle School and will coach Agawam Varsity Basketball and Freshment Football. He has also been the assistant baseball coach at American International College.

Sacred Heart Bulletins

By DAN MARUSZCZAK JR.

Sacred Heart Parish has recently announced that the annual Bazaar will be held on November 10 and 11, while donations of various items is greatly needed if this year's bazaar is to be successful.

The Bazaar Committee is as follows: Co-Chairpersons—Flo Potito and Ethel Dumond; Booth Chairperson(s): Christmas—Rose Mercadante and Joanne Cappucilli; Toys—Penny Martineau and Mary Lou Daigneault; Candy — Jeannette DiFlumera; Bake Booth—Dolly Morassi and Mary Spinelli; Refreshments—Jean Rose and Velia DeBiasio; Jewelry—Lee Dion and Mary Davis; Curiosity Shop—Vera Conway; Country Store—Rosary Altar Board and Theresa Barlow, Nancy Doucette, Odette White, Freday Seymour, Sue Stefanik, and Flo Potito; Main Raffle—Don Thornton.

Donations of yarn, plants, books, usable toys, games, picture frames with glass, and other usable items will be greatly appreciated, while a pick-up of these items can be arranged by calling any of the above committee members.

Officiating over this year's Sacred Heart Annual Bazaar will be President Miss Julia Zajchowski.

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Congratulations to Imad Zu'bi, winner of this year's SHAA Walk Ten prize. Imad's name was drawn from the top ten youngsters bringing in the most amount of money for the benefit of the Sacred Heart Athletic Association.

Once again, the Sacred Heart Athletic Association would like to thank all those who participated in the walk.

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Christopher Humiston, Farm, $100.00.
John Patterson, Farm, $75.50.
Denise Thornton, 13-15, $60.50.
Kevin Cmayre, Farm, $56.01.
Nora Lloyd, 10-12, $44.20.
Sandra Trembley, 10-12, $40.50.
Sonya Fenney, 10-12, $40.00.
Robert Rose, Farm, $39.09.
Christine Phaneuf 7-9, $39.00.
Imad Zu'bi, 13-15, $38.40.

Above is a listing of the top ten placements of the most money brought in by participants of the Walk Ten. On Tuesday, July 25, Imad Zu'bi was the winner of a gift certificate awarded by the Sacred Heart Athletic Association.

Chriscola's Celebrate 40th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. John Chriscola of Agawam recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Photo by Jack Devine



This adult backyard swim class has the distinction of being the first one in four years that the YMCA has conducted. The pool is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Corriveau of Butternut Drive. Backyard swim lessons for youngsters and adults are available through the Y.

Photo by Jack Devine

Swingles Dance

The Swingles Square Dance Club will feature George Stumpf calling and the Benoits cueing the rounds at their square dance on Sunday, Aug. 20th at 7:30 p.m. The dance will be held at the Stanley Park Paviolion, Westfield.

All western style, single and couples, square dancers are invited to attend.

Book Sale

The SPAN Center, 770 Springfield Street Feeding Hills is sponsoring a gigantic book sale to be held at the Center. Over 10,000 books to choose from. Hardcover and paperback, novels, psychology, old books, textbooks, etc. Sale hours are 11:00 to 7:00 Monday through Friday and will be held from August 14, through August 25th. Hurry for best selection Dealers welcome.

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Editorials

From The Editor's Desk

By Pat Guevin



Attendance at last Monday's Town Council meeting was up from the usual ten to twelve people. Many were there to voice an opinion on a resolution call for the banning of dirt bikes from Robinson State Park.

The final result was something of a letdown considering the effort it took on the part of those concerned to gather the strength to have the motion passed-or even presented.

The council, after much debate sent the resolution to the ordinance committee, a committee composed of three councilors-one who doesn't want the town to do what he considers to be the state's work; one who is to far removed from the problem to even care (apparently), and the third who? Who presents a big question mark? if something isn't done to remedy the damage the UNREGISTERED dirt bikers are causing in the park, on abutters' property and on town property, it will be a blatant disregard by the town Council of the expressed wishes of the citizens of Agawam - their constituents!

Perhaps there is something to be said for and at large election of the Town Council. At least then all councilors will have to answer to all of the people. It appears as if some of the people are now getting short-changed by Councilors who are not really representing their interests, who are easily swayed, and who often vote simply to get a thing over with.

Letters To The Editor

Letter to the Editor:

I was told that the town council would be voting on a dirt bike ban in Robinson State Park at its August meeting. I attended the meeting and heard a lot of pros and cons about dirt bikes, jeeps, kids, dust, destruction and a multitude of other problems. A resident complained about his street, one about the park destruction, another about the council's ruining a sport for dirt bike riders. After more than an hour, the council, started its regular meeting. When it came to a proposal to ban, the council seemed to run an end sweep. The president tried to get something introduced that was not allowable, Councilor Barnes seemed to be trying to delay any action, he was the one who made the motion in July to send a meaningless message to the state. The council came out of something, only three maybe four out of fifteen said anything, then they went back into something and Councilor Serra, who seemed eager to do something, did nothing. What is happening at these meetings? Are these new councilors going to learn more before saying anything? Where is the representation that we need? I still don't know what is going on with the dirt bike problem.

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To the Editor:

Can Agawam be rid of the excise tax and live with it-Agawam will be like a lit match in a dry forest if it pursues this issue with the zealousness that is worth of it. This tax issue will be opposed and favored: We need both sides to come forward and speak their minds. When two sides are strongly presented, the results can conly be the best. A meeting for the town to do just this is in the making. Now is the time to come and speak or write in to tell exactly how you feel about this tax and offer alternative solutions to either equalize it or submitting new issues to balance the revenue needed to maintain the town, cut down expenditures etc-

We can do something about this, it is not as one town official said, we are at the mercy of state, what can you do. Wrong!! We are not at the mercy of the state, and we the people have the power to change whatever is not right.

Now is the time to find out if we can rid the excise tax, and live with it, but if we the people do not speak out and have our elected officials act accordingly, then we are indeed at the mercy of the state-

State Rep. Connelly after speaking with him has agreed to be present at the meeting, the date being not yet set. All officials and council members are invited. I have talked with several town officials on this issue. Some have offered to speak at this meeting.

Everyone I have talked to, co-workers, neighbors, have all expressed great concern on this excise.

All agree this is an unfair tax.

Miss Elena Bonanita
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Agawam, Ma
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132 North St
Agawam Ma
home 786-3941
work 733-7861 days

To the Editor:

The Council for Children wishes to express their thanks for all who spoke in behalf of the Robinson State Park ban on motorcycles. When the Council for Children initiated a request for the ban, it was never realized that so many problems existed beside the damage to the park, because of the motorcycles.

I thank Rep. Edward Conndelly, the Registry, Ken Debuque, and all those who testified at the Town Council meetings. I appreciate the interest taken. I also would like to thank the Councilors for being so patient in listening to testimony.

A meeting in Boston with Rep. Connelly on Monday, will be to discuss an ordinance that town, county, and state will agree and abide by.

My one question is in wonderment to a mother who spoke quite well, but was against the ban on motorcycles in the park. She stated that what harm can a child do riding a motorbike on the public road, just two streets away to the park. It only takes seconds for an accident to happen, and who would be to blame then? I know, I have had two near accidents with a motorbike shooting out of a side street, and once, coming out of the park, and that his pleasure should not be taken from him. What excerise is this? Peddling a bicycle to the park is excercise, but what good physically is it just sitting on a motor bike for hours? There is no excercise at all and no physical exertion. Please, think of it in that light.

Edna T. Condino

Town Hall Bulletin Board

Conservation Commission

The Agawam Conservation Commission along with the Soil Conservation Service will hold a steering committtee meeting of the Natural Resource Planning Program on August 16, 1978, at 7:30 P.M., in the Town Administration Building Hearing Room, 36 Main Street, Agawam.

Ordinance Committee

There will be a meeting of the Ordinance Committee of the Agawam Town Council on Thursday, August 17, 1978 at 8:00 P.M. in the first floor **Conference Room** of the Municipal Building on 36 Main Street., Agawam, Massachusetts.

Subject - Discussion of Recreational Vehicles in Robinson State Park.

Planning Board

The Agawam Planning Board will meet on Thursday, August 17, 1978 at 8:00 P.M., in the Town Administration Building **Hearing Room**, 36 Main Street, Agawam.

The Agenda is as follows:

8:00 P.M. RONCARI INDUSTRIES INC. — Completion of work on Robin Ridge
NOMINATIONS:
Chairman to the Board
LPVRPC COMMISSIONER
FORM A
#1302 - 2 lots - North West and North Westfield Street
Alice & Joseph Shibley.
MUNICIPAL FACILITIES SITE PLAN - Report and recommendation to the Council Committee
Any other business that may come before the Board.

Board of Appeals

The Board of Appeals will hold hearings in the Hearing Room of the Town Administration Building beginning at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, August 30, 1978.

AGENDA

1) Roll Call
2) Minutes of Meeting, July 20, 1978
3) Dir. of Nurses Report
4) Health Dir. Report
5) Old Business
6) New Business
7) Adjournment

Police Log

8/3/78, 11:00 a.m. THURSDAY

A vehicle operated by Linda Estelle Lussier was traveling north on Ralph St., age 22 of 775 Springfield St. when it collided with a vehicle traveling north on Ralph St., to East into a driveway. Oper. of vehicle #2 was a Mary B. Cavallon of 22 Ralph St., age 66. No injuries reported. Oper. #2 would seek own med. att. Invest. by Traffic R. Marsh.

8/4/78, 11:48 a.m. FRIDAY

Vehicle #1 oper. by a Charles Nielson 37 of 485 Codgers Ave., W. Spfld., was trav. east on Spfld. St. through inter. of Spfld & Walnut St., when it collided with a vehicle driven by John T. Lynch age 72 of 463 Cold Spring Ave., W. Spfld. Mass. No injuries reported. Both vehicles driven from scene. Invest. by Traffic. H. Jarvis.

8/4/78, 4:52 p.m. FRIDAY

Vehicle #1 oper. by Paul T. Brennan age 17 of 5 Sparrow Dr., Spfld., Mass. was trav. south on northwestfield through inter. of Feeding Hills to East onto Spfld. St., collided with a vehicle oper. by Clarence R. Smith age 59 of 71 Adams St., Spfld. Mass. who was trav. west on Spfld. St. Stopped in traffic. westbound. No injuries reported at scene. Vehicles driven from scene. Invest. by Traffic. R. Marsh.

8/4/78, 12:35 p.m. FRIDAY

A vehicle oper. by a Joan Daigle of 84 Wachusetts St., Spfld. was trav. east on Spfld. St., when it was struck in rear as it was making a left turn, by a vehicle also trav. east by a Rita Richardson age 57 of 620 Spfld. St., Feeding Hills, Mass.. No injuries. Both vehicles driven from scene. Invest. by traffic. H. Jarvis.

8/4/78, 8:15 a.m. FRIDAY

Vehicle oper. by a John F. Soares of 63 Elizabeth Ave., Westfield was involved in collision with a Sandra, A. Krolicki of 28 Memorial Dr., Feeding Hills, Mass. Soares veh. was trav. south on Rt. 5 when it collided with the Krolicki veh. which was trav. east on Rt. 57 to on ramp of Rt. 5 South on Southend Bridge. No P.I. Vehic. driven from scene. Invest. by Ptl. P. Kerr.

8/5/78, 12:24 a.m. SAT.

Vehicle oper. by a Robert M. Gardner of 197 Silve Lake Dr., Agawam, was trav. west, on Elm St., collided with a vehicle that was disabled, in trav. In, owner of veh., James T. Bardsley of C L Franklin St. was in process of pushing veh. off road, when it was struck, in rear by Gardner veh. Bardsley was pinned between his veh. and guard rail, resulting in injury to his leg. Invest, by traffic. R. Marsh, C. Lamson.

8/5/78, 10:02 p.m. SAT.

Vehicle oper. by a Patricia J. Smith of 41 Northfield St., Longmeadow was trav. north on River Rd., vehicle left rd., contacted a tree. Oper. slightly injr. Invest. by D. Ciak.

8/5/78, 1:53 a.m. SAT.

Vehicle oper. by a Donald P. Sarna of 219 Forest Hills Rd., Spfld. involved in a per inju, accident in parking lot of Michaels Lounge, with a vehicle that was owned by a Kathleen A. D'Agostino 21 George St., Agawam, Mass. Invest. by Ptl. Poggi.

8/7/78 6:41 a.m. MONDAY

Vehicle oper. by a David Liggon of 213 Asselin St., Chicopee was trav. south on Rt. 5 when vehicle struck guard rail in passing lane, oper. and pass Kathy Skinner of 22 Chicopee St., taken to Mercy Hospital. Invest, by Ptl. Kerr.

8/7/78, 9:15 a.m. MONDAY

Vehicle oper. by a James Synder of 10 Strawberry Hill, Feeding Hills was involved with a vehicle oper. by Eugene D. Smith of 47 Whitebirch Ave., Chicopee. Snyder vehicle contacted Smith vehicle that was pulling out of driveway of 680 Spfld. St. no injuries. Invest. by Ptl. Drewnoski.

8/8/78, 12:56 p.m. TUESDAY

Vehicle #1 oper by a Beatrice A. Gaboury of 22 Walnut St., was involved in an accident with a bicycle oper. by a J. Kevin Connor, of 222 Southwestfield St. Accident happened in front of 213 Suffield St. Invest. by A. Collins.

To the Editor:

li hope your readers will bear with me just a little longer regarding the Agawam Schools, our school committee, Dr. William Glasser, Karen Bernstein, and the writer.

To Karen Bernstein I would like to explain that there was a wonderful time in years past when reasonable and informed people could disagree without either party being offended. Honest and accurate debate is a very practical course to the solution of difficult problems.

I didn't say anything about "neat rows of children blankly staring into the stern face of a teacher with a stick in hand" but you suggested that I did. Come on Ms. Bernstein, we all know that teacher authority doesn't require jack boots and a whip so let's start by agreeing that is was improper for such remarks to enter our communications.

Let's confine our discussion to accurate facts and carefully informed opinions.

1. I have made a very serious effort to investigate Dr. William Glasser and what is called Glasser method. Whereas I view our teach with respect and feel they are highly qualified and motivated; Dr. Glasser sees teachers and administrators quite dull and lacking in common sense. The part of the Glasser method that has thus for been inplemented is so elementary that I cannot understand why anyone would see fit to pay for the idea. Why would anyone pay $8500.00 for something any thoughtful person would give to them without charge?

2. The guide lines set forth by Glasser for class room meetings are, in the majority of examples, unacceptable to the writer. I will ask all teachers to keep their ideas out of the minds of my children if they move to teach attitudes toward divorce, love, parenthood, morality and socialistic government. Other education systems in other countries have done this in recent years and I do not feel that any of my fellow citizens want the consequences to happen here.

3. I am a frustrated tax payer and you were correct to label me so. I remember all to well that time in 1957 when Russia embarrassed us by beating America into space. When the American society asked educators why Americans had become second best we were told it was our fault for inadequately funding education. The tax payers have poured countless billions into education for the last twenty years. We have lived with phonics, sight reading, new math, open bays, open classrooms, open campus, fantasy courses, plush and unnecessary building and renovation programs, and dozens of radical psycological schemes that quite simply haven't worked.

4. My charges are not directed at Agawam schools exclusively for I find much to criticize about the American education system in general. I oppose the prevailing education philosophy that school must be fun, Dr. Glasser's opinion that we try to teach too much (I don't think we try to teach enough), the State mandate that makes the public system responsible for the education of all resident youth no matter how disruptive, the ongoing search for expensive, controversial, unproven, and readical "cures" for unsolved problems in education., and school committees that endorse and fund programs that they know next to nothing about.

5. I don't place all the blame for failure on our educators. Quite frankly the whole society is failing its youth and I do not envy the teacher that tries to educate children without the support of a honest, moral, diligent, informed and concerned community.

I tried to locate Ms. Bernstein so we could debate privately but she is not listed in the phone book. I see neither harm nor benefit from that part of the Glasser method initiated on this date. If, at some future time, Glassers no-mark marking system or Glasser efforts at group therapy with unqualified teachers as group leaders become part of our education system. I herewith reserve the right of all citizens to voice objection.

Art Leary

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Kevin Allen (left), Diana Hardina, and Dr. Sam Femiano stack books in preparation for Span Center's book sale to be held from Aug. 14-25. Photo by Jack Devine

Signed By Dukakis New State Program To Benefit Small Business

Small businesses will now have an opportunity to participate in the purchasing process of the largest consumer of goods and services in the state—the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Massachusetts Small Business Purchasing Program, signed into law in 1976 by Governor Michael Dukakis, is now in operation. The program was initiated to stimulate small business development by reducing some of the major hindrances in small business participation in state purchasing. The program is expected to promote competition in the Commonwealth's purchasing process.

Chapter 434 of Massachusetts Acts of 1976 states that not less than 5% of the aggregate amount of all state purchases to which this program applies will be placed into a special program whereby only certified Massachusetts-based small businesses will be eligible to bid. The Secretary of Administration and Finance will recommend purchases which can be placed in the program, excluding construction and purchases of a monopolistic nature such as gas, electricity, etc. The lowest responsible bidder among the small businesses will receive the award.

Commissioner John D. Crosier of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development, one of the agencies which helped to draft and promote the original legislation, said, "Small businesses constitute a vital segment of our economy. It is important that we recognize their role in the business community by proposing legislation such as the Small Business Purchasing Program, that will assist them in competing with larger corporations."

In order to be eligible for the program, a business must be independently owned and operated, and have its principle place of business in Massachusetts. It may not be dominant in its field, or a corporation which is a member of a group of affiliated corporations, and must meet employment and gross receipts requirements.

Original legislation for Chapter 434 was filed by Sen. Bill Owen (D-Boston); Rep. Richard Demers (D-Chicopee); Rep. David Swartz (D-Haverhill); and Rep. Bruce Wetherbee (D-Pepperell).

Other legislators active in support of the measure were Sen. Alan Sisitsky (D-Springfield); Sen. James Kelly (D-Oxford); Rep. Kevin Burke (D-Beverly); Rep. Robert Buell (R-Oxford); and Rep. Paul Goulston (D-Stoughton).

Persons from several other governmental agencies, private institutions, and non-profit organizations participated in the drafting and promoting of the legislation. The organizations include the Department of Commerce's Office of Minority Business Assistance; the Purchasing Agents Division, Commonwealth of Massachusetts; The First National Bank of Boston; Action for Boston Community Development; and the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts.

To obtain certification forms, small businesses should visit the following locations: Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development Regional Offices: Saltonstall Office Building, 100 Cambridge St., Boston; D.E.S. Building, 291 Summer St., Lowell; D.E.S. Building, 51 Myrtle St., Worcester; Massachusetts Building, Avenue of States, West Springfield; and 1213 Purchase St., New Bedford.

Forms can also be picked up at the Massachusetts Purchasing Agents Division, One Ashburton Place, Boston, and the MBTA, Material Division, 80 Broadway, Everett.

First N.A.A.T. Meeting

The first meeting of the N.A.A.T., the North Agawam Action for Teens Committee, will meet on Friday, Aug. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting hall of St Anthony's Church on Bridge St. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss ideas that may be effective in organizing a club for teens that would provide a constructive meeting atmosphere for Agawam's teenagers. Any interested persons, especially parents of teenagers, are encouraged to attend.



Championship Pinball Tournament

Brunswick Recreation Corporation and the Dream Machines throughout New England are sponsoring a Championship Pinball Tournament to benefit Muscular Dystrophy.

The Tournament, which is one of the largest in the country, will take place locally at the Dream Machine, 1655 Boston Road, Springfield (Eastfield Mall), August 18 to 25; Airway Lanes, 1387 Liberty Street, Springfield on August 19 to 20; and Holyoke Lanes, 100 Appleton Street, Holyoke on August 19 to 20. The finals which are scheduled for late August, will be held at Warwick Lanes in Warwick, Rhode Island. There will be three finalists from each center who will be invited to compete in the finals.

Among those competing will be Edward Leyden of Hampden, who recently set the world record for endurance, playing over 170 consecutive hours of pinball.

First prize will be a Conquest Pinball Game donated by Rowe International; second prize a Big Top Pinball game and third prize an AM-FM Portable Radio, plus other assorted prizes.

Anyone interested in competing may pick up their entry form at any one of the participating centers. There is a $3 entry fee, which will go toward patient care and research for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Workshop at Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden, is holding a special program for children and adults on Saturday, August 26.

Staff Naturalist, Tom Tyning, will be leading a nature overnight campout at the 260-acre sanctuary. Participants will learn about natural history in the night time woods, stream and ponds beginning at 7 p.m. A short orientation is planned before a leisurely hike to the remotest areas of the property.

Throughout the evening various activities are planned including a search for owls, attracting colorful moths and listening to sounds of the pond, and more. Participants will be napping in sleeping bags periodically and return with an early morning birdwalk by 9 a.m.

The Nature Overnight is open to the public and a fee is charged. Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling Laughing Brook, any day, at 566-3571.

Agawam High Band to Entertain at Big E

—The Agawam High School Band will be one of the many groups of talented musicians entertaining fairgoers at the Big E, West Springfield, Mass. this year.

Under the direction of band leader Darcy Davis, the colorful contingent will offer renditions of patriotic songs, show tunes and other musical favorites in the Big E Daily Parade Thursday, Sept. 21 at 5:30 p.m.

The parade is only one of the many highlights of the fair, with performers, marching bands and visiting dignitaries participating.

This year's Big E will also feature many free shows for the whole family, the Royal International Circus (Sept. 13-17), the Eastern States Championship Horse Show (Sept. 20-24), the First Annual Chimney Sweep Competition (Sept. 15-16), and also crafts, food, livestock competitions, midway rides and many interesting, educational and exciting exhibits.

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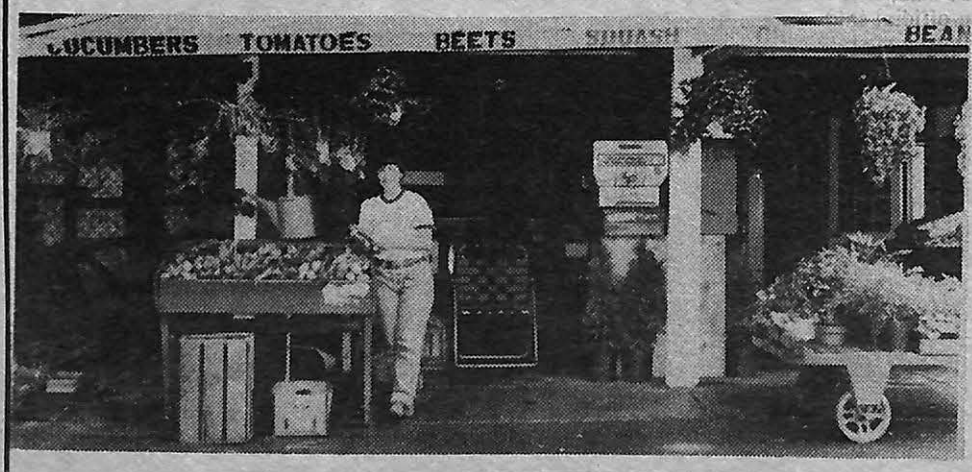


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Herm Sandlin (left), his wife Rosemary, and Bob Hershey of the Agawam A.A. prepared lunch at the recent 1st annual AA sponsored family picnic

Kings Softball Benefit Game

Employees of King's Department Store at the corner of Suffield & Silver Streets in Agawam, will be playing the Agawam Fire Department in a softball game to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association, on August 20th at 6:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Field, Agawam. There will be a $1.00 donation for adults and children under 12 will be admitted free. Tickets may be purchased at the service desk at King's in Agawam or from the Agawam Fire Department.

Skate-A-Thon

Now's the time to sign up for one of the biggest rollerskating events of the year—the Jerry Lewis 12 hour Skate-a-thon, to be held at United Skates of America, 566 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, on August 27.

Skaters will be obtaining sponsors from area businesses and throughout the area. Disc jockeys and the WACKY Boogie Machine will be supplying music and excitement for all the skaters.

There'll be lots of fun and prizes including a 10-speed bike, 12 record albums and rollerskates.

All proceeds will benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. You can enter by picking up your sponsorship forms at United Skates of America, or the Muscular Dystrophy Association, 201 Westfield Street, West Springfield, MA.



Agawam Chapter of UNICO National donated five tricycles to Camp Rainbow, Agawam's summer camp for children with special needs. Making the presentation was UNICO President Thomas Coppola (L) and Paul J. D'Amato (R), UNICO Mental Health Chairman. Camp Rainbow Director Richard Grace is in center. The children are, from left to right: Jennifer Hay, Christopher Martin, Melody Campbell, Robert Martin, Kimberly Stizenger and Michael Randolph.

Voter Information Phone

The League of Women Voters VOTER INFORMATION PHONE can help people in Massachusetts understand their government. By calling 357-5880 (or toll-free 1-800-882-1649) anyone in the Commonwealth can get quick answers to questions about government procedures and regulations, current legislation, names and addresses of government officials and can get help in unraveling governmental red tape.

The VIPhone, a service of the League of Women Voters Lotte E. Scharfman Memorial Fund is staffed on weekdays from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. (summer hours, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. until September 5th). Trained volunteers are on hand to answer questions about the elections this fall and about all other aspects of federal, state, and local government. In six years of service, the VIPhone has earned a reputation for giving unbiased, thorough answers to questions from callers all over the state.

This fall volunteers will explain what will be on the ballot in the September 19th state primaries and the November 7 state election, including the often neglected ballot questions. Callers can find out where to register to vote, how to request and use an absentee ballot, how to change their party designation, and the names and addresses of their state and national representatives.

These are the easy questions for the VIPhone, however. Extensive files in the office enable the VIPhone staff to research answers to much more complicated governmental dilemmas about such topics as the state budget, women's issues, education, environmental quality, and judicial reform. Even the prestigious Rand Corporation (think tank) has utilized the services of the VIPhone via a long-distance call from California.

The more than 30 VIPhone volunteers from 18 Boston-area communities may not know everything about government, but they do know how to find out! Volunteers are ready to save people time and effort by doing the research to find an answerto any question. Available to every Massachusetts resident, the VIPhone is a resource that can help untangle the complexities of modern government and encourage informed citizen participation in the political process.

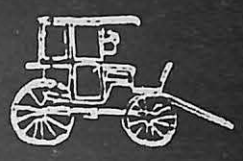
Question:

"Do I still have time to register to vote in the September 19th state primaries?" an anxious caller recently asked the VOTER INFORMATION PHONE.

"Yes," the VIPhone volunteer replied. The deadline for registration is August 22nd. The primaries are party elections for the purpose of selecting candidates to run in the November 7 state election. These primaries may be especially important in some areas because of the reduction in the size of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. The House has been a 240-member body since 1858 but will meet with 160 members when it convenes next January. The new House districts will be in effect for the first time in the state primary election.

This question is one of many now being received by the VOTER INFORMATION PHONE, a statewide, free public service of the League of Women Voters Lotte E. Scharfman Memorial Fund. For answers to questions about government—local, state, or national—call the VIPhone Monday through Friday in August between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The number in the Boston area is 357-5880; callers elsewhere in Massachusetts should dial 1-800-882-1649 toll-free.

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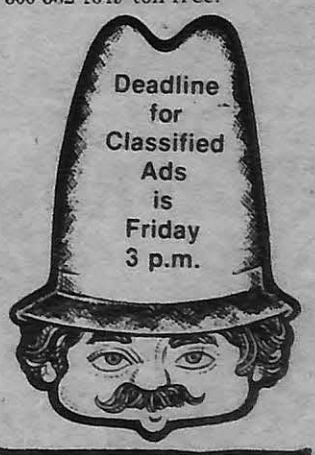
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The efficiency of Ace Auto Body was put to the test recently. When they were called upon to pull this car belonging to Michael Langlois of Ludlow out of the Conn. River near River Road. Investigating officers Harold Jarvis and Tom Mezzetti.

Open House At Westover AFB

WESTOVER, AFB, Mass., August 3, 1978 . . .Units and personnel of the Air Force Reserve's 439th Tactical Airlift Wing will host their annual open house at Westover Air Force Base, near Chicopee, Mass., on Tuesday, Aug. 22.

Chief among the attractions for the day will be the United States Air Force's demonstration team, the Thunderbirds. The five T-38 Talon aircraft will perform for the visitors during the afternoon, with the air show scheduled for 3 p.m.

Aircraft from units of several commands, including the Army, Navy and Marines, will be on display and available for walk-through tours all day. Various planes flown by both the regular Air Force and the Air Force Reserves will also be there.

The world-famous Thunderbirds will spin, loop, roll and dive through a spectacular series of precision aerobatic maneuvers with only three feet separating their wing tips.

There will be plenty of convenient parking and admission is free. Visitors are invited to bring cameras. Refreshments will be available at several locations in the exhibits area. Both gates to the base will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SPAN Events

The 10-3 year old "kids" group at SPAN Center is planning an overnight at Springfield College campgrounds this weekend. Another 6-9 year old group at SPAN will be going on a day trip to Laughing Brook this week. Both groups have been meeting weekly throughout the summer enjoying nature hikes, swim parties, wire craft, candlemaking weaving, plant identification, mobil making. bread making and many other arts and crafts and cooking projects.

The group is a cooperative venture between SPAN Center, 786-6410 and the Hampden County Extension Service 736-7204. Diana Hardina, a 4H employee worked as a liason between 4H and SPAN this summer. The three leaders, Carol Applebaum, Robert Klotz (Springfield College Seniors) and Diana Hardina are very satisfied with the success of the groups.

SPAN Center would like to be albe to offer Fall kid's groups. If you enjoy working with children or know someone else interested give us a call. 4H, 1499 Memorial Ave. West Springdfield, will be glad to train volunteers in leadership skills and arts and crafts, no previous experience is neccessary. So please, contact either agaency for more information.

Grant Links Area Schools and Science Museum

Through the Cultural Education Collaborative of Springfield and Boston, two area schools and the Springfield Science Museum received a grant from The National Endowment for the Humanities.

Using the Springfield Science Museum as the extension of the classroom, teachers and administrators from the Danagy School in Agawam and the Sixteen Acres School in Springfield are engaged in designing science projects and activities using the resources of the Science Museum to supplement and enrich classroom teaching.

Mrs. Gloria Keeney, Curator of Education of the Museum, assisted by Mrs. Sara Orr, is acquainting the educators with all the primary resources and collections that can be incorporated into their elementary science classrooms.

Children will be involved in field studies throughout the school year.

Danagy School is represented by Miss. Cecelia J. Lynch and Mrs. Linda Williams, teachers, and Mrs. Barbara Kimball, principal.

Sixteen Acres School teachers involved in the Project include Mrs. Ruth D. Anderson, Mrs. Frances U. Gurka, Mrs. Barbara M. Turgeon, Mrs. Vivian G. George. Social Studies Resource Teacher, and Mrs. Marv M. Walsh, Principal.

Students Learn About Psychic Phenomena

Over the summer vacation, 20 local 8th through 12th graders have learned more about "Science and Psychic Phenomena" at the Agawam High School. The course they took was taught by Arthur Gage, a Physics teacher at the high school. The science department has, for the past six summers, offered various courses that are not normally available during the school year. Last summer the class learned about solar energy - designing and constructing a solar panel for the high school greenhouse.

This year the students attended class—learning about extrasensory perception (ESP), psychohinesis and survival phenomena. Various guest speakers lectured to the group of students.

During the four weeks various experiments were performed to test the relationship between science and psychic phenomena.

Mr. Gage had the students participate in a sending-receiving ESP experiment. The sender would view a randomly chosen slide and would attempt transmitting the images to a receiver in another classroom. The receiver was blind-folded and had headphones placed over the ears so that the ESP sense would be expanded. The TV studio in the school was used to tape and record the responses of the receiver which were played back during the class discussions. Several students were very successful in sending and receiving.

Editor's Note: The publisher attended one session to view one of the experiments. He was amazed at the accuracy of the sender/receiver in describing a slide he had randomly chosen.

Longmeadow Encore Players

The Longmeadow Encore Players will begin their 1978-79 season with "The Entertainer", a play with music by British Playwright John Osborne, on September 7, 8, 9 and 11 at the Longmeadow Community House. It will be directed by Donna Dore of West Springfield who recently directed "Madwoman of Chaillot" and "Company. Donna is also currently working on a children's TV program through channel 22 to be produced by NBC in the fall.

"The Entertainer" is a nostalgic return to the fifties as the last curtain is falling on music hall entertainment in England similar to our vaudville's demise. The leading male character, Archie, first introduced by Lawrence Oliver on Broadway and also Brilli. Antly performed by movie star-commedian Jack Lemmon on tv, will be played by Wayne Robertson of Springfield. Robertson will be remembered for his lead portrayal in "Rip Van Winkle" at the community house last year. Robertson comes to this role as "The song and dance man" with many musical credits having been a member of the Simsbury light opera company for seven years. Jean Burns, who will portray Archie's wife has been active with encore players for the past two years, producing and directing and was formerly associated with directing numerous Westfield productions. In supporting roles are: Debby Butler, Lynne Hans and Eugene Kane.



Class of '68 Plans Reunion

The Agawam High School class of 1968 is planning a ten year reunion on September 30, 1978. It will take place at the Mountain Laurel Restaurant on Route 5 in Enfield, Conn. A social hour will begin at 7 followed by a choice of roast beef or shrimp dinner to be served at 8 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by The Summer Breeze.

Chairman Mark Maniscalchi and the class reunion committee are presently trying to contact all class members. The deadline for tickets is Sept. 1. Help to make this a success by contacting committee members Linda (Edwards) Gallano, Janice (Borgatti) DeFilipi, Holly (Kistner) Magner, Donna (Fadgen) Ormsby, Susan (Scherpa) Kelly, Joanne (DeMont) Locks or by calling 786-3887.

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Sports



The Agawam A.A. 6-7 Instructional boys baseball team—"Shea B" are pictured. Bottom row, left to right: Steve Wilmes, Allan Porowski, Scott Fancy, Jay Vodzakis, and David Sheehan. Middle row, same order: Tony Mancuso, Mike Curto, Todd Vagness, Mark Brumley, Dan Sullivan, and Eric Brunette. Top row: Eric Brumley, Jeff Peterson, John Walzak, and Chris Dimascola. Donald Loncto is the coach, assisted by Mr. Mancuso and Mr. Sheehan. Team manager is Roland Roberts.

Photo by Jack Devine

Southwick Rec Center A.A.U. Road Race

The Southwick Recreation Center will sponsor an A.A.U. sanctioned 8.3 mile and a 3-1/2 mile Road Race on August 27, 1978 at 2:00 P.M. Trophies will be awarded in several categories.

Entry fee is $1.00 per entrant. Entries should be sent to Walter Childs, A.A.U. Commissioner at P.O. Box 1484, Springfield, Mass., 01001 or George Le Clair, General Chairman, 13 Woodside Circle, Southwick, Mass. 01077. Post entries will also be accepted.

Registration will begin at 12 noon at the Powder Mill School, Route 57, Feeding Hills Road, Southwick, Mass., and will continue until race time.

Agawam Softball Standings

"A" DIVISION

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Vil. Lge.	20	5
Vil. Pkg.	18	5
Dante Club	18	7
Show Case	15	10
Gove Realty	14	10
Columbus C "A"	11	14
Panel Land	10	18
Valenti Pizza	9	14
Ital. Spt. cl.	8	16
Buccaneer L "A"	8	18
Grants Ext.	6	19

"B" DIVISION

Sil. Car.	22	5
Germano A S	21	5
Elbow Lg.	19	7
Vil. L. "B"	17	8
Marchegian C.	17	9
Aga. Moose C	18	10
Agawam A's	15	11
Buccaneer "B"	14	12
Turcotte Mfg.	13	13
Joseph Liquors	11	13
Aga. Turners	10	16
Ins. Center	10	17
Aga. J'cee	6	20
Columbus C "B"	6	20
Spartan Saw	6	20
Burd Mfg.	3	22

Sportsmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba



Hunter safety classes are being scheduled now by the Division of Law Enforcement. If you are between the ages of 15 and 17 inclusive, you must pass a hunter safety course before you can purchase your first hunting license that will allow you to hunt without adult supervision. If you wait too long before filing an application for the course you could wind up being disappointed. The classes in October are filled to capacity and it's almost impossible to fit everyone into a schedule. File in August. This would allow scheduling, notification and a certificate of competency to handle firearms in the hands of the sportsman or sportswoman before the gunning seasons get underway.

For complete information contact the Division of Law Enforcement, 100 Cambridge St., Boston, Mass. 02202.

Mathew B. Connoly, Jr., Director of the Div. of Fisheries and Game has Set Sept. 1st for the taking of Rails, Snipe, and Gallinules. Rails and Gallinules can be hunted through November 9 and Snipe through December 16. These dates take maximum advantage of the guidelines recently issued by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

HEARING SET

Dates and bag limits for the hunting of waterfowl and other migratory birds will be the subject of a public hearing to be held by the Fisheries and Wildlife Board on August 31st at 8 P.M. The meeting will be held in the Holiday Inn located at intersection of Routes 128 and just south of the Mass. Turnpike. Public testimony or written comment prior to the hearing is cordially invited.

Vermont's 1978 hunting season for black bear will be the same as it was last year.

The Fish & Game Board recently reviewed the season dates and heard recommendations from wildlife biologist Charles Willey. As a result, the Board decided to leave the standing bear regulation unchanged.

Bear season will begin Sept. 15 and continue through the ninth day of deer season, November 19 this year.

A couple of reminders -- a permit from the Fish & Game Department is needed to hunt bear with dogs, and bear may not be taken over bait of any kind.

The regular deer season will open Nov. 11 and run through Nov. 26. The bow and arrow season only will start Oct. 14 and end Oct. 29. The turkey fall season commences Oct 21 and ends Nov. 5. The bow hunter will get in 8 days of turkey hunting while hunting deer this year. A reminder, you can take a deer with the bow in Vermont and one during the regular hunting season. New Hampshire offers the same deal to the hunter.

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Pictured here is the 8-10 boys team sponsored by Abbett Tax in the Agawam A.A. Bottom Row (left to right): Gerald Allen, Jr., Mike Malinowski, David Runshaw, David Andry, Mark Lyne, Middle row: Danny Faucette, Jeff Lane, Charlie Rossi, Danny O'Berle, Chris Jutras, Top row: Coach Dave Lyne, Rich Malinowski, Robert Allen, Chris Bowry, and Coach Andy Lane. Photo by Jack Devine



Pictured here are the 6-7 girls instructional team from the Agawam A.A. 1st row (left to right): Pam Welles, Kelley Erskine, Cherly Czepiel, Michelle Amirault, Tricia Rea 2nd row: Jennifer D'Amato, Carolyn Belniak, Melissa Wojcik, Pat Hannon, Kelly Kamyk 3rd row: April Lavalley Susan Andry, Lynn Lepore, Amy Barber, Coaches; Tom Erskine, Armand Rea, Bob Belniak Photo by Jack Devine

Laughing Brook Calendar of Events

Aug. 22-26

Summer Explorations. For children entering grades one and two. Five sensory explorations of nearby habitats including pond, forest, field, stream, and swamp. Fee: $16.00 members, $20.00 non-members.

Aug. 26

Herb Gardening. Instructor, Nancy Bennett, herbalist. How to plan, set up, and utilize an herb garden for teas, medicines, dyes, and insect repellants. 2-4 p.m. Fee: $4.00 members, $6.00 non-members.

Aug. 26-27

Nature Overnight. Leader, Tom Tyning. Natural history of the nighttime woods, streams, and ponds. 7 p.m. to 9 a.m. Pre-registration required. Fee: $5.00 members, $7.00 non-members.

Sept. 4

Labor Day. Monday holiday. Laughing Brook open to the public. $1.50 adults, $.50 children and FREE to members of the Massachusetts Audubon Society.

Sep. 9, 16, and 30

Photography Workshop. Instructor, William A. Tompkins, naturalist, lecturer, and noted photographer. Workshop for 35mm cameras on all subjects with a concentration on nature; black and white color. An indoor orientation, outdoor session, and final critique. 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Pre-registration required. Fee: $10.00 members, $15.00 non-members.

Sept. 9

Volunteer Training Orientation. Leader, Su Jewell. For people over 14 years old interested in assisting with general maintenance and animal care. 2 p.m.

Sept. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5

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Sept. 17

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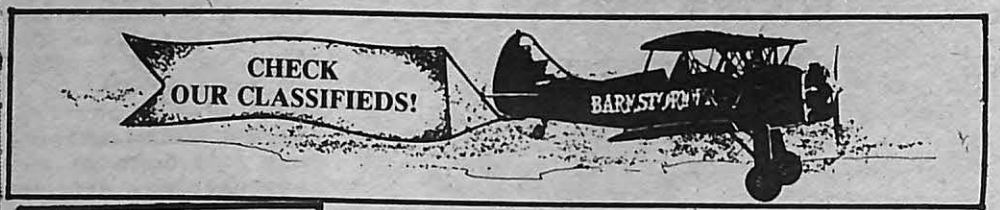
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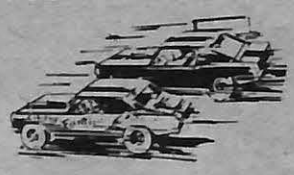
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Bodine Continues to Win

A sellout crowd at Stafford Motor Speedway saw the finish of the fog delayed Winston 100 run under perfect racing weather last Friday night. Geoff Bodine, who has won almost every main event this year, won the main event that had 8 laps remaining. Bob Polverari and Brian Ross were the first row with Boby Vee and Ron Bouchard in the second row. Polverari was in first place for the first 27 laps when he encountered overheating problems Bodine and Richie Evans were running in second and third place behind Bob Stefanik when Stephanik blew an engine on lap 59.The yellow flag was raised and on the 63rd lap Bodine was in the lead with Evans and Jerry Cook on his tail. Bodine raced the remaining laps with Evans in close pursuit. Bodine took the checkered flag with Richie Evans and Jerry Cook in second & third place.

In the regular Friday night main event, Geoff Bodine grabbed lead in the 10th lap after and held on to take another event. Jerry Cook & Richie Evans reversed orders in the regular event.

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Cascella Named Co-ordinator For Hatch Campaign

Michael Cascella, 75 Riviera Drive, Agawam, and John Buffington, 60 Crane Ave., Westfield, have been named western Hampden County's coordinators for the Frank Hatch-Bill Cowin campaign for governor and lieutenant governor.

Cascella, a former member of the West Springfield Finance Committee, believes that Hatch is the candidate whose views on both fiscal and environmental concerns are the best for the commonwealth's cities and towns.

"Rep. Hatch freed up the (state numbers game) lottery money, and made sure it went to the cities and towns (in 1976)," he said. "He has been our friend all along. Dukakis hasn't been.

"And, from a conservation point of view, the Hatch Act has saved our towns plenty of green space."

Hatch, 53, of Beverly, is the Republican floor leader in the Massachusetts House. He has led the fight, most recently, to release to the public the names of the state's tax delinquents; he is a strong supporter of tax reform; and his Hatch Act, authored in 1965, was the nation's first freshwater wetlands protection law.

Cowin, 40, of West Newton, made his mark as state Secretary of Consumer Affairs and of Administration and Finance. He has also been assistant Massachusetts attorney general.

They are candidates on the Sept. 19 Republican primary ballot.

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Changes In Motor Vehicle Laws

Littering

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Right-on-Red

Also signed by Governor Dukakis and becoming effective on October 6, 1978, is "an act regulating right-turn on red at signalized intersections." Briefly, this law states that signs may be erected at intersections allowing motorists to turn right on red, (unless otherwise directed by a police officer), after stopping and yielding right - of - way to pedestrians and approaching traffic. Similarly, signs allowing left turns from one-way streets into one-way streets may be erected.

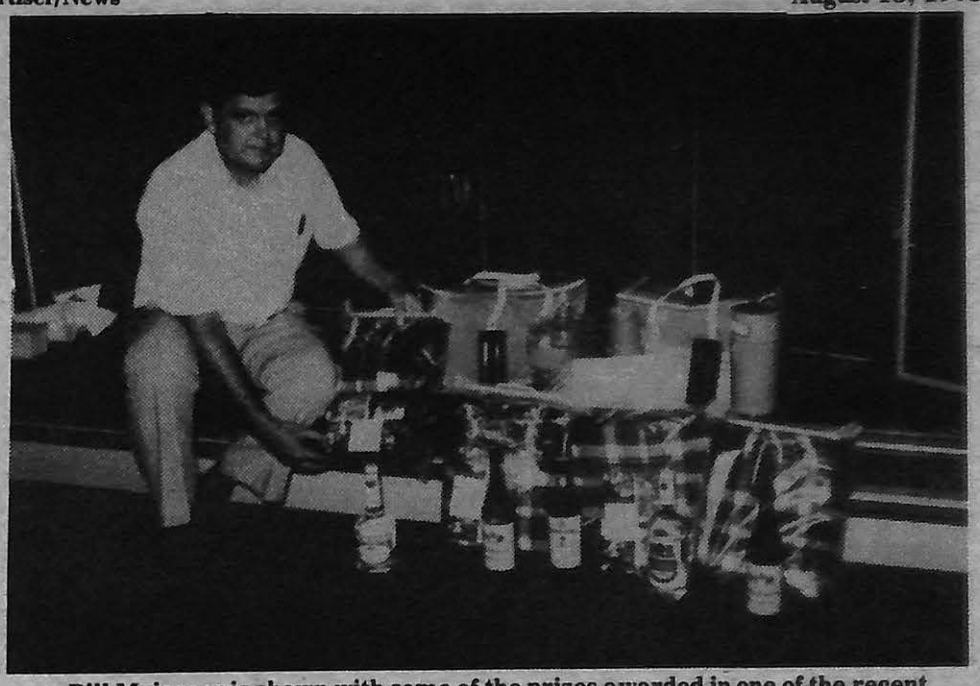
Stop Signs and Yield Signs

Already in effect (March 21st) this law states that every driver of every vehicle must stop at a stop sign or flashing red light. Prior to the change, the second and third vehicle in a line could proceed without stopping again after having stopped behind the first car.

Added to the law regarding yield signs is a statement that any driver involved in a collision after driving past a yield sign without stopping shall be deemed "prima facie" evidence of failure to yield. This change has previously been announced, but many people are still not aware of it.

Rotary Intersections

Also in effect (January 20, 1978) is an amendment to the law regarding right - of - way at rotaries. The amendment states, "any operator of a vehicle entering a rotary intersection shall yield the right - of - way to any vehicle already in the intersection". Although this has been announced several times many people still aren't aware of the change.



Bill Meissner is shown with some of the prizes awarded in one of the recent fundraising events held to help sponsor the Agawam Lionettes softball team's trip to Texas.

Child Abuse Network Proposed

"It's a cost free, common sense plan, which provides immediate relief to the abused child," Rep. William G. Robinson, Assistant Republican Floor Leader said today, after the Massachusetts House gave unanimous approval to his proposal addressing the primary problem of child abuse.

"My legislation is aimed at the immediate danger; keeping the brutal fist from the child, detecting where this brutality has occurred and calling upon the public conscience to help prevent its recurrance," Robinson pointed out.

The Robinson measure authorizes cities and towns to establish a community volunteer network to provide support services for the prevention and detection of child abuse and for the immediate care of abused children.

"My intention is to establish simultaneous cooperation between professionals and paraprofessionals, offering support services to the local police department, along with legal support from the Justice of the District Court, on a 24-hour basis," Robinson noted.

The volunteer child abuse network, channeled through existing community services, would be directed by any local organization capable of handling this problem.

Additional features

-exempts from all liability anyone who reports the abuse of a child, if that person has reasonable grounds for believing that abuse is occurring, has occurred, or may occurr.

-provides for immediate intervention when child abuse is reported to the police department. Each Chief of Police must designate an officer on each shift to take primary responsibility for responding to reports of child abuse.

-allows police officers to provide immediate protection for abused children by removing them from the imminent danger. This, without a custody order wherever the officer determines the necessity. A custody order would then be obtained.

-provides for the removal and care of the child on a temporary basis. This care to be provided in temporary foster homes established through the community volunteer network.

-requires crisis intervention persons, community volunteers and justices of the district courts, or their designees, to be on call on a 24-hour basis.



Pictured at the recent UNICO Bar-b-que are club members (L-R): John Chriscola, Dr. Ernest Cannava Jr., John Chriscola Jr., Francis Colli, and Charles Calabrese.

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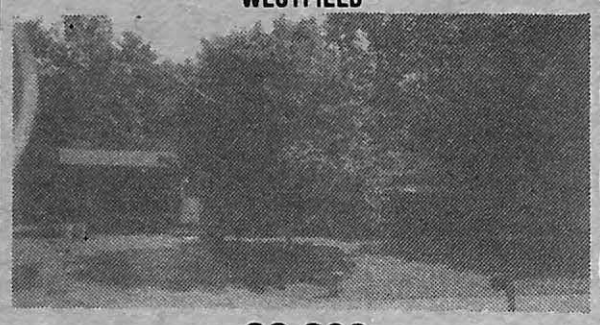
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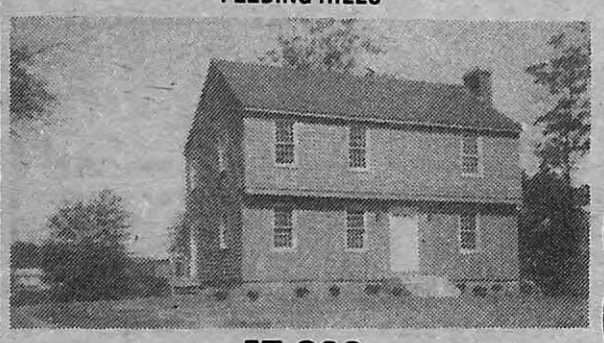
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Down to Earth



by Janet Cook

The steps to take when planting a terrarium are simple. Follow these directions and you can create your own masterpiece! Assemble the following materials first: a suitable container, good potting or terrarium soil, gravel, pebbles, or wood chips, charcoal (found at pet stores or garden centers), a kitchen funnel or small garden funnel, a long knitting needle, and terrarium plants of your choice.

The first layer at the bottom of the container needs to be a material for collecting excess moisture. Use the gravel or pebbles for this. A funnel can be used when planting a bottle to help keep the sides clean. Use it to direct the flow of the ingredients. Next add a thin layer of charcoal. This helps to keep the terrarium from smelling like a dirty pond. Add the soil next being careful to keep it away from the sides as best you can. The soil can be moved around after it gets into the container with the long knitting needle, if need be. Small holes can be made for the plants with the needle next. Try to decide more or less how you will arrange the plants before you begin to plant into the container. If you plan to use rocks or wood chips for decoration, put theses into a bottle first, before the plants, and just slide them around until you are ready to put them in their final position. To fit plants through the neck of a bottle, remove most of the soil from the roots first, slide the plant through the neck roots first and settle it into one of the holes. Gently arrange the roots and cover them with soil. Continue this way until your landscape is complete. Now the time has come to water. Remember that the amount of water needed will be small. A teaspoon full or so for each plant should do the job. If the amount of soil used is large, increase the amount of water accordingly. Ways to direct the water onto the roots of the plants will depend on materials you have at hand. A long turkey baster of plastic straw can be used to direct the water. A small watering can with a tiny neck will also work. Whatever method you end up using, please try hard to avoid the mistake of overwatering. If you do overwater, the end result will be soggy masterpiece! A terrarium should never be kept in direct sunlight. A North window or a position near a window would be a good spot. Some plants that are good for terrarium use could be begonias, bromeliads, ivy, pilea, peperomia, ferns, baby's tears, many types of herbs, and philodendron. There are many more that can be used. Good luck!

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Craft Adventure At The Big E

A special feature class for afghans and the addition of a new weaving class will highlight the 1978 Craft Adventure at The Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, Mass. to be held August 31 in the Youtharama Building on the Big E grounds.

According to Helen Bardwell, Director of Creative Crafts at The Big E, the new classes will attract more first-time entries to the competition which has grown tremendously over the past few years.

The weaving class will include wall hangings and tapestries, rugs, designs for interiors, fashion apparel and fashion accessories. The afghan class will include crocheted, knitted, embroidered, afghan stitch, original design and miscellaneous items. A special award will be given in each category.

There are 11 total classes in the competition this year. Other classes include hooked rugs and other items, yarn-made rugs including latch and punch hook, braided rugs and other items, vestamayd rugs and other items, shirret rugs and other items, quilts—new and antique, canvas embroidery, crewel embroidery and macrame.

Mrs. Bardwell says that each entry must be a recently completed work, finished and hand-made by the entrant. This does not include antique quilts. The product should be new in appearance, neat and clean, and not previously shown at The Big E competition.

Deadline for the contest is Aug. 12. The entrants will be judged on August 31, and the winning entrants will have their works displayed through the fair.

Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded separately in the Junior, Instructor and Non-Instructor classes. First prize will be $10 and ribbon; Second prize—$7 and ribbon; Third prize will be $5 and ribbon and Honorable mention will be a ribbon.

The Judges Choice Trophy will be awarded to the one entry that best exemplifies the highest standards of all the judging qualities.

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Displaying another reminder that the new Riverside Rollaway is well on its way to becoming a reality are Gay Maiolo, daughter of Mrs. Sue Maiolo the owner of the Rollaway, and Mrs. Maiolo's son David who will manage the new rink. photo by Jack Devine

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